

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of this change is to clean up language from 2008 HB602, codify insurance requirements for off-highway vehicles (OHVs) and to allow for the use of a "sticker" only registration option for ATV/UTV/Motorbikes. A new classification of OHV has been defined creating a "Specialty" category for those vehicles outside of current definitions.

Further defines the definition of a UTV and ATV and allows the purchase of restricted vehicle license plates and OHV registration stickers by nonresidents that operate in Idaho. These changes become effective upon approval.

Users wish to create a user fee account like that of the Idaho boating program that will be used by the County Sheriffs for OHV related law enforcement activities and by the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) for OHV opportunities and to repair damage caused on IDL land by OHV use. Language also limits state liability of state or political subdivisions for restricted vehicle use.

FISCAL NOTE

There will be a fiscal impact to Idaho Parks and Recreation's (IDPR) dedicated funds. Based upon the two dollar fee increase, IDPR will need additional spending authority in Trustee and Benefit for funds. 0243. The spending authority will allow IDPR to pass approximately \$132,000 (\$1.00 times 131,000 motorbike, ATVs, UTVs, and an estimated 1,000 specialty off-highway vehicles) through to county law enforcement entities and approximately \$132,000 through to the IDL. If the dollar amount identified for law enforcement and IDL is changed, the calculation for additional spending authority must be adjusted. IDPR will need the additional spending authority beginning in Budget Fiscal Year (BFY) 2010.

IDPR will also incur estimated costs of \$20,000 to modify the existing registration system for the new "specialty off-highway vehicle" registration; add a user designation for the motorbike, ATV, UTV, and specialty off-highway vehicle; the allocation of each of the one-dollar (\$1.00) fee increases to the appropriate entity; and testing the data transfer between IDPR and the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD). Based on the proposed legislation, IDPR would be able to absorb these costs. Major changes to this legislation may increase the magnitude of the system changes. If the legislative changes require a major rewrite of the application, IDPR may need additional one-time spending authority to write, test, and implement code changes before sticker year 2010 customer renewal notices are distributed.

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